

SENATOR CLARK: The law is declared passed. LB 71.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk.

SENATOR CLARK: Read the motion.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Landis and Newell would move to return LB 71 to Select File for a specific amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, there are two things in this amendment. Senator Newell and I put our heads together just before the session and realized that our desires to amend this bill were complementary so we put the language together rather than have two amendments. Don Dworak came to me and asked that the E clause be put on LB 71 because of its declarations of policy on the use of community development and housing funds. They would like to be able to plump for some federal funds that they think that language clears the way for and as soon as the bill is in law, they feel that they are entitled to proceed with that solicitation for federal funds and in the event it is declined, to go into court. So the E clause is necessary to move the Economic Development Department along in its search for federal funds. The second piece of language is a recitation of language that appears in one place in the bill that says when an agent may be used rather than the Planning Commission. We have that language in the bill in one place. In another place in the bill we cite to that section and say, a Planning Commission is unnecessary when an agent has been appointed according to the provisions of 19-960 or whatever that number is. And one of the city administrators out west pointed out to us that it was not crystal clear that the Planning Commission was only unnecessary when the agent was being used. So we are putting the language of the times in which the agent is empowered to act in the section that says a Planning Commission is not required when an agent is being used by delineating a second time that agent's authority to act in the limited number of circumstances when they can. It is meant only to make explicit the intent of the bill that I have earlier outlined for the body.

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any discussion on returning LB 71 for a specific amendment? Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, the amendments that is being offered is being passed around now. It is exactly as Dave indicated it is and I would urge the return of LB 71 for this amendment.